

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA. MONDAY, MAY 17.

It appears that the legal proceedings to prevent Messrs. Moody and Sankey, the American revivalists, from using Her Majesty's Opera House, were instituted by the lessee of seventeen stalls and three boxes, who made a profit of reletting them. The Loudon News says :-"Messrs. Moody and Sankey's counsel admitted that there had been a technical trespass, and be consented to the nominal damages of one shilling. The Master of the Rolls having ascertained that there was no intention to have place for holding religious services, and that to Grant, Publisher and Managing Editor. grant an injunction would do the defendants harm and the plaintiff no good, declined to stop the services, which will thus be contipued until the end of the three months for which they were originally planned."

In appouncing himself as a candidate for the House of Delegates, in Wythe county, the other day, Col. T. J. Boyd boldly defined his position in reference to the State debt. He said that there were, he regretted to learn, some individuals who, thought they had not dared openly to proclaim it, were in favor of repudiation. He was not one of these, and 'it' said he, 'fellow citizens, you desire one of that stripe to represent you, leave me at home, for I will suffer my right arm to be severed from my body before I will take part in bringing such a stigma or disgrace upon my old mother State." His views uyon this question seemed to meet the approbation of his audience, as was manifested by the hearty applause accorded

The fear expressed of a renewed visitation of the grasshopper plague is verified by accounts from various quarters. In Eastern Kansas and Western Missouri a grasshopper panic already | iog the waters of the Colorado of the West, prevails. The pests are already up and doing, and have started on their line of march, destroying everything green in their way. The route lies in a northwesterly direction, and the only hope of the farmers is that the grasshoppers may disappear in time to save the corn tion of the Executive Departments, in order to crop. In several counties in Minuesota the eggs are batching fast, and warm weather is expected to bring with it a renewal of last years' devastation and ruin.

The General Synod of the Dutch Reformed Church of America is represented in the Council of the Reformed Episcopal Church now in sesssion at Chicago by a regular delegate. He hails from a Church in Brooklyn and on Saturday took occasion to convey to the Council the official and Christian greeting of the body represented by him. This he said they performed as a duty and claimed as a right. Fervent thanks were offered by Bishop Cummins, for this, as he styled it "first official recognition of his Church." The Reformed Council is now engaged in considering and amending the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion.

The National Bank of Rio Jeneiro, which suspended last week, has asked for an extension from its creditors, promising to pay them in full with interest. The Bank of Brazil came to the aid of the National Bank, and the Government introduced a bill in the Chamber of Deputies to meet the crisis. The failure caused quite a panic, and many depositors in other books withdrew their funds.

The county commissioners of Glynn county, Ga., having neglected to provide for paying intetest on Court house bonds, the U. S. Circuit Court has issued a peremptory writ of mandamus requiring the commissioners to levy a special tax this year sufficient to pay all costs and

Meriden (Ct.) has been annoyed so much by injunctions and suits, brought by people who complained of the poise of their drop-hammers, that they have decided to leave that place and locate elsewhere. Come down this way, where the noise of the drop-hammers will be as sweet

The counsel of Maryland and Virginia having made a full opening statement of the grounds and evidence in support of the line of boundary claimed for the said States respect; ively, the arbitrators adjourned at Washington at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, in the city of New

The Pall Mail Gazette says: "Russia, annoyed at Eogland's persistent refusal to participate in the St. Petersburg Conference, and the coldness of the other countries, intends giving force of law to the declaration of the Brussels Confereuce by negotiating separately with the Powers to induce their adherence thereto.

A second injunction against Governor Jacob. of West Virginia, restraining him from remov- hole in the wall of the warehouse. ing the State archives from Charleston to Wheeling, the new capital, has been disregarded by that officer, who asserts that an act of has been in session at Charleston, S. C., durthe Legislature takes precedence of any judi- ing the past week, adjourned sine die Saturday cial process.

When it appears that the teachers cannot spell correctly, unprofessionals may take comfort. But at the Sacramento County Teachers' Institute a list of fifty common words floored the entire sixty-six teachers who undertook to spell through it.

The Baltimore Sun has entered upon the thirty ninth year of a prosperous career.

We have received from the book and periodical store of Mr. Geo. E. French, No. 95 King street, Demorest's Mirror of Fashion, The Jolly Joker and other late publications.

delegate.

Albert Young, son of Senator Young, of Wisconsin, attempted to murder his father on utes after.—Richmond Whig Joker and other late publications.

on Thursday, May 20th, in the city of Cleaveland, Ohio, and the same day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church South meets at St. Louis, Misseuri.

The young men of Mooresville, Ala., have set an example this year worthy of imitation throughout the country. They have pulled off their coats and gone to work with their own hands to make a crop.

The reserved decision in the case of the sample merchant at Richmond, who was arrested for trading under a license to his firm, nonresidents, is that a license is a personal priviege and cannot be used by another.

A telegram received at Philadelphia on Satarday from the Consul at Panama announces he death, at Guaysquil, on the 7th inst. of Hon. Thomas Biddle, United States Minister to

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend the anniversary celebration of the Union Literary Society of Hampden Sidney College on the 8th of June.

The Baltimore Gazette Publishing Company have chosen Chas. J. Baker, President, Wm. the theatre permanently transformed into a R Barry, Business Manager, and Thomas M.

> Count De Chambord has written a letter in which he expresses hopes for the re-establishment of a monarchy in France.

NEWS OF THE DAY

"To show the very age and body of the Times."

Mr. James Lick, the California millionaire, who some time ago created a general interest by the announcement of a series of somewhat paring to attack Renteria. extraordinary donations, has revised his deed of gift, and made some important changes therein. He is to be one of the trustees himself, and in lieu of the \$25 000 annuity which he had allowed himself in the first deed, he now takes a gross sum of \$500,000. The estate will be immediately available, and it is supposed that the new arrangement will satisfy all those interested -except, perhaps, the lawyers-and avert the litigation which at one

A party has been organized by the Engineer Bureau of the War Department for the prosecution of surveys in Central New Mexico, Southern and Southwestern Colorado and Califoruia, under the immediate charge of Lieutenant George W. Wheeler, United States Engineers. Surveys will also be made for the purpose of ascertaining the practicability of divertfor irrigation and other purposes. A small party will also be sent out by the Smithsonian Institution to make archiæ dogical investigations in the Santa Catalina Islands.

The select committee of the United States Senate, appointed to examine into the condireport at the next session of Congress what reforms are necessary, have completed their examination of all of them, excepting the Department of State. The committee will meet some time during this summer to prepare their re-

The centennial celebration of the Hannastown declaration of independence was held at with Mr. W. Scott Carrington a draft for £100 apparatus, belonging to the corporation, and Greensburg, Westmoreland county, Pennsyl- to be forwarded for collection, after the lapse to graduate the pay of the said employees upon vania, yesterday. The town was decorated of several weeks called Mr. Carrington into his such steam fire engines," and "the direction of with fligs and evergreens. An immense meeting was held at the court house at 2 p. m., over which Hon. Simon Cameron presided, and Hon. Edgar Cowan delivered the oration of the day.

A party of nine Sioux, under the conduct of Indian Agent Bingham, arrived at Washington on Saturday. The other Indian delegations, under Spotted Tail and Red Cloud, will reach Washington this evening. These delegations come to Washington to negotiate for the cession to the Government of the Black

Governor Brogdon, of North Carolina, in a etter to the New York Herald in regard to the representation of North Corolina in the centennial exhibition, says he hopes a liberal display will be made by that State. The Legislature baying failed to respond to his special message on the subject, he will appeal to the leading citizens to encourage and systain the enterprise.

A meeting of the Labor Associations was held in Independence Square, Puiladelphia, on Saturday, at which speeches were made and resolutions adopted in regard to the difficulties at the coal mines. They approve the cause of the striking miners, and denounce the press. Collections are to be taken up in aid of the

The anniversary services of the American twenty-five per cent. of the judgment, and the Congregational Union were held last evening same for each succeeding year until the debt is in the Church of the Pilgrims. Brooklyn, N. laden with flowers. Rev. Dr. Storrs preached | were promptly honored. MacKinnon telegraph-The Beecher Manufacturing Company of the anniversary sermon. The number of Con- ed to this firm on Saturday to know the dates gregational churches outside of New England and amounts of the drafts paid through them, now exceed those in it by five hundred.

> An exhibition of pedestrianism at the Naval Academy on Saturday resulted in remarkably fast time being made by Proudfit, a young midshipman of the second class. In eight minutes less than three hours he walked fifteen miles, and that, too, against the disadvantages of rain and a track in bad condition.

C. B. Rouss, a somewhat noted jobber of dry goods, in New York city, has made an assignment pending investigation into the charge of collusion with a party who obtained a large amount of goods on Rouss' recommendation on Saturday, to meet again on the 30th of June and aftewards failed. This party says Rouss shared the plunder with him.

> The Postmaster General has issued an order forbidding the postmaster at Cincinnati to pay about fifty miles from Chicago on Monday L. D. Sine, alleged to be conducting a gift enterprise, any postal money order, and instructing the postmaster to return to the remititters. upon proper application, the amount of such

Four burglars were arrested in New York Saturday evening while breaking into the warehouse of F. C. Linde & Co., Greenwich street, They had bired a room in an adjoining building, and were seized in the act of drilling a

The United States Circuit Court, Chief Justice Waite and Justice Bond presiding, which evening, after pronouncing a number of decrees of local interest.

The coroner's jury in the case of Theo. Reed, who stabbed and killed his step-father, John under the cars, which were standing still, and Walker, in a fight over the proprietorship of a did not see the approaching train at the time. cane, in New York, returned a verdict that the | When he was under it, however, he saw the stabbing was done under great provocation. Reed was held to await the grand jury's action.

The German Government has released from prison the priests held at Posen and the neighboring towns, and informed them that the Government does not require further evidence of the administration of the Diocese by a Papal other train. The fittle boy became frightened, aged 33 years and 4 months. Mrs. P. was a lady and in attempting to run from under the car he of lovely Christian character. delegate.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Friday by shooting him, and then committed Stures of the United States of America meets

Gunther & Fink's furniture factory on Edward Street, in Baltimore, was burned to the ground last night; estimated loss \$15,000. This is the second time within a year that the establishment has been destroyed by fire.

Out of thirty or forty election trials that have taken place throughout Ontario nearly all the sitting members of both political parties have been arrested. About twenty five or thirty trials are yet to take place.

The Postmaster General gives notice of a reduction of postage, to and from countries with which postal conventions have not been concluded, from ten to five cents per half ounce or fraction thereof.

The election for mayor of St. Louis, on Satarday, resulted as follows: J. H. Britton, democrat, 15 611; Henry Overstelz, indepen-

night, had walked only 375 miles in six days. instead of five lays and fifteen hours, as was announced before he commenced.

Samuel White, a prominent citizen of Ludlow. Mass., was bitten in the thigh by a boar, Saturday, and bled to death before assistance could reach him.

The Secretary of the Treasury has issued a call for the redemption of \$5,000,000 coupon bonds, upon which interest will cease the 15th A dispatch from Berlin to the London Stand-

ard says that the principal in the late conspiracy to assassinate Bismarck has been arrested The Emperor Francis Joseph, who has been

making a tour of his dominious, returned to Vienna on Saturday and was enthusiastically received by the populace. A Santander telegram says that the Carlists

nave stopped firing on Guetaria, and are pre-The hearing of the appeal in the case of

Count Von Arnim has been fixed for the 15th of July. The new Attorney General Pierrepont and

ed upon their duties on Saturday. On the 26 h instant the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutherao Church of the United States meets in Biltimore.

Commissioner of Internal Revenue Pratt enter-

The journal La Voce Della Verita of Rome has been suspended for publishing the Pope's address to the German pilgrims. The condition of Gen. John C. Breckinridge

easier, there is no hope for his recovery.

Europe on Saturday, taking out 1,006 cabin and 1,293 steerage passengers. The new American Minister to Austria, Mr. Godlove S. Orth, has arrived at Vicuna.

Cardinal Cullen has arrived at Rome from

The deaths in New York last week were 543. money under false pretences.

ton that Mr. MacKinnon having deposited cessful operation of all steam fire engines and room and asked him if his draft had been all purchases and expenditures on account of heard from. Mr. Carrington said it had not the fire companies, or the Fire Department, inbeen. Thereupon Mr. MacKinnon pulled from | cluding the nand engine companies," and they his pocket a letter and a telegram, purporting to be from Maximilian Low, announcing that for payment.' the draft for £100 had been presented and duly honored. Mr. Carrington then gave MacKin- (unless he shall be acting as Chief Engineer in non a check for the proceeds of the draft. the absence of that officer,) "to aid and assest Subsequently Mr. Carrington received from in procuring supplies of water for such of the MacKinnon another draft for the same amount, | engines as the principal engineer, or Warden and MacKinnon represented that he had the commanding in his absence, may direct him to right to draw it and it would be paid, and when about leaving the State for a short ab- upon, and to keep all idle and suspected persence, as he said, drew \$300 on account of it, sons at a distance from the fire and its vicinity. and requested that the balance-some \$365- | (See section 7, page 103.) should be paid his wife when she called for it. She did call for and receive it. The draft having been returned protested and unpaid, Mr. any control whatever over the fire e mpanies, Carrington went to Mrs. MacKinnon and repesented to her the state of the case, and she returned \$100 of the money. Soon afterwards the Fire Department, of which they are mem-Mrs. Mar Kinnon left the State and joined her husband, and the latter was not seen here any more until brought back on Saturday in the

custody of Detective Koox. The counsel for Mr. MacKinnon (W. L. Royall and General Bradley T. Johnson) state that MacKinnon had a written contract with to be performed here in connection with the are represented, is the law making and directginia, to draw upon his house for a certain sum | tive officer at fires. of money. MacKinnon's drafts aggregated much less than he was entitled to draw for. Several of them, sent through Duncan, Sher-Y. The attendance was large. The pulpit was man & Co., well-known bankers of New York,

and received the following answer: "New York, May 15, 1875.-J J. Mac Kinnon, Richmond, Va.,-Credited September 14th and October 31st, £100 each. draft on Low, February 25th, £106.

"DUNCAN SHERMAN & Co." It is further stated that Mr. MacKinnon, when arrested by Detective Knox, offered to provide for the payment of the drafts in Mr. Carrington's hands if he was released, but that Detective Knox told him (as in duty bound) that he had no choice but to bring him to Virginia for trial.

Mr. Wm F. Knox arrived in Richmond on Saturday morning, by the Richmond, Freder icksburg and Potomac route, having in charge Mr. MacKinnou, whom he arrested at his country seat, between Courtland and Sycamore, evening, late, while Mr. MacKinnon was walking in the garden, and when acquainted with his arrest he went into his house, got his overcoat a d satchel, and started off at once.

Mr. MacKingon was in the prisoners' box at the Police Court on Saturday morning, and the witnesses not being in attendance the accused

statement about the exhibition of the letter need of any further alarm. and telegram alleged to have come from Maximilian Low, and expects to be able to viudicate his innocence and relieve himself of all imputation of unfair dealing. - Richmond Dispatch.

A LITTLE BOY CRUSHED TO DEATH -On Friday morning a little son of Policeman P. O'Conner, while on his way to his father's house, started cross the railroad track by going engine which was attached to the other train running on the side track, and therefore did not come from under the cars, doubtless intending to wait until the other train passed by. But. unfortunately, at this juncture the train began to move also and in a direction opposite to the

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Arthur Galt, clerk in the Lyochburg Na tional Bank, has absconded with ten thousand dollars. Several days since he was sent to the express office with a package containing ten thousand dollars for the treasurer at Washington. He returned to the bank with a receipt, but it has transpired that the receipt was a forgery, and that he has decamped with the money. He facilitated his escape by getting a furlough for five days ostensibly to visit a relative. Galt, it is said, was seen by an acquaintance in this city on Tuesday, to whom he stated he was on his way to Frederick, Md., since which time he has not been heard of. The bank will sustain no loss by the theft, as the bondsmen of Galt are bound for the sum abducted.

Mr. William P. Burwell, counsel for Messrs. Salmon & Hancock, manufacturers, of Richmond, has commenced a suit against Rush Burgess, revenue collector, in the U. S. Circuit Court to recover the additional tax of 4 cents which was levied on manufactured to-Weston, up to twelve o'clock on Saturday bacco under the late ruling of the commissioner on the construction of the revenue act of 3d of March last.

A letter from Wytheville, dated 14th inst., says that Taylor Tilson, the counterfeiter who shot Deputy Marshal Kile, near Marion, on Wednesday, has been captured and lodged in jail. Deputy Collector John Walsh has wad: a raid on illient distilleries in Froyd county, de- the same into the Circuit Court of Fauquier stroying two distilleries, with contents, and arresting one of the distillers.

During the prevalence of a storm on Saturday a little boy fishing from Mayo's bridge, at Richmond, was struck by lightning and stunned.

On Friday night last some person entered the store of Chas. T. Palmer, on Main street, Richmond, and abstracted \$9,000 worth of bonds from the safe.

Mr. Olis H. Russell has been appointed Collector of the Revenue for Richmond, vice Rush Burgess, resigned. Mr. Russell has filled the

position of first deputy to Mr. Burgess. General Mahone has been elected President of the Petersburg Agricultural Society, and

The Episcopal Council of Virginia meets in Richmond on Wednesday.

[COMMUNICATED.

THE RINGING OF THE ALARM BELLS. - Your local of Saturday is calculated to produce a misunderstanding of the question at issue between the Hydraulion Steam Fire Engine Company and the Board of Fire Wardens, as the resolutions adopted by the company, though remains unchanged, and though somewhat perfectly intelligible to all the parties concerned, does not sufficiently explain the matter Six steamers sailed from New York for to the general public. Allow me a small portion of your space to do so.

By the Code of Virginia, a governing body is created for the regulation of the Fire Department in each city, consisting of the Chief Engineer and Fire Wardens, elected by the City Council, and the Presidents of the fire companies. To that body, by an 'ordinance of the city (see new city Code, page 102 and 103) ARREST OF J. J. MACKINNON. - On May is committed the power of prescribing "rules th the Governor issued his requisition author- and regulations for the government of the zing a detective of this city to receive from steam, and hand engine, fire companies, at fires the authorities of the State of Illuois J. J. and elsewhere, in all matters not provided for by MacKinnon, a fugitive from justice of this existing laws. By the same ordinance (sections State, charged with the crime of obtaining 2 and 3, page 103) the principal Fire Wardens, or a majority of them, "have power to employ It is charged by J. L. and W. Scott Carring-such persons as shall be necessary for the suc-"may direct the manner of cirtifying the same

At fires it is simply the duty of each Warden attend, to prevent the hose from being tradden

Thus it will be perceived that the Fire Ward ens, neither individually nor collectively, have very ample powers in that regard being bestowed, however, on the Board of Directors of bers, by the 6th section of the ordinance.

From the extracts I have given it will be seen that the system devised by law is an ex cellent one, and that no collision can take place if each one keeps to the letter and spirit of the law. The Board of Wardens regulates the expenditure and appoints the paid officials; Low, allowing him in consideration of services | the Board of Directors, in which the companies proposed recapitalization of the debt of Vir- ing power; the Chief Engineer is the execu-

On several occasions disputes have arisen through the giving of orders at fires by individual Wardens, and a refusal to obey them by members of companies. Some months ago the Board of Wardens forbade the drivers of steam engines to go to a fire at a pace greater than "a fast trot." This called forth a protest from the Hydraulion Steam Fire Engine Company. which denied the right of the Board to pass any order, but as the drivers were removable by the Board, their command was obeyed.

In the present instance the objection is not to the striking of the alarm before leaving the house, (though the direction that it shall be done by an officer who ought to be on his engine and on the way to the fire as speedily as possible, does not seem to be a very wise ene,) but to the admission of the principle that any order whatever can be given by the Board of Wardens, waile there is a boly emp wered by law to rule the department and its officers, paid or unpaid. The rope attached to the hammer of the tri-angle wis removed about a year ago. because the striking of it jarred the house, and had caused portions of the ceiling of the hall to fall several times. The engineer, on the receipt of the Wardens' order, replaced it, acd the company, ascertaining that fact, had both it and the hammer removed, lest the engineer should obey the order, or be held responsible by the Wardens' for disobeying it.

By the 14th section of the ordinance, it is made the duty of the Captain, or Lieutenant was committed to jail to await an examination of Police on dury at the time to have the great bell on the market building rung whenever a Mr. MacKinnon denies Mr. Carrington's fire occurs, and if that is done there will be no

AN OLD FIREMAN.

DIED.

In Washington city, D. C., on Sunday, May 16th, at 2 o'clock a. m., at the residence of her parents, Geo. E. and R. J. Kirk, Mrs. ALICE M., te oved wife of A. M. Hall, of this city. Her relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from No. 921 E street, Washington, on Wednesday morning, the 19th instant, at 91 o'clock.

In Alexandria, Sunday evening, May 16th. RUGENE MOORE, son of Augustus E. and Mary H. Addison, aged 12 years.—[Washington and Baltimore papers please copy.

Mrs. LIZZIE M. PENDLETON, wife of Major A. G. Pendleton, and daughter of James W. Sneffey, e.q., died at the residence of her husband, in Marion, Va., last Monday morning,

U S. Courts. - The May terms of the U. S. Circuit and District Courts were held to-day,

Judge Robert W. Hughes presiding. In the Circuit Court in the case of E. D. Scott vs. E. A. W. Hore; motion for a rehearing of a tormer decree argued by J. H. and J. T. B. Suttle for the motion, and W. Willoughby against, and decision reserved.

Turnbull & Co. vs. A. Thon as; in chancery; sale of the Mount Version Cotton Factory con-

G. W. Lewis et als. vs. Reynolds and Slingerland; leave granted to withdraw power of attorney.

The Goodyear Dental Vulcanite Company vs. D. B. Garden and G. W. Jones; perpetual injunction against the use of the patent of

plaintiff. Nathaniel Purdy vs. C. White ct als.; cause dismissed

Anthony Lawson and T. A. Brewis' heirs vs. Wilberforce Freeman, and same vs. Jas. M. Downey; on an ejectment; judgment for posession of property and costs.

In the District Court in the matter of Thos. C. Moralee, Boyd Pearre & Co. granted leave to withdraw notes.

In re S. C. Means; order for sale of choses in action.

In re Nancy B. Stewart; assignce's report of sale confirmed and assignee directed to collect proceeds of sale of 75 acres of land and pay county.

In re G. W.F. Smith; order of floal discharge of bankrupt, and question of exemption of \$500

In re John Hawxhurst; order for resale of floaring saw will. Iu re M. Eldridge & Co., consideration of the exception filed to the proof of debt of R.

A. Howes & Co. against the estate; continued. U. S. vs. Geo. Swapsbury; capias returned executed, and case continued till next term. In re Jas. H. Shumate; order for a survey of real estate.

In re S. Megeath; order of sa'e. Both Courts then adjourned for the term.

CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY .- The May term of the Circuit Court for the county, Judge James Keith presiding, commenced this morning.

John R. Johnston, foreman, Richard Hatch, Joseph Markham, Hampton Dye, Wm. C. Wibert, Sept. Brown, H. Bailey, Richard Veitch, George R. Adams, Wm. N. Reed, Berjamin Austin, Robert Walker, Stephen Colhin-, Manadier Taylor, W. Hatch and Sephen Wibert were sworn a grand jury of inquest in and for the body of the county, and, having received the charge of the court, retired to their room. After a time the grand jury returned into court and presented an indictment against Thomas Cropley and John McBlair, for wound ing with intent to maim, disfigure, disable and kill, a true bill; against Frank Hyson, for breakkill, a true bill; against Frank Hyson, for break-ing and entering, &c., a true bill; and having bed is complete. But to run the same successpething further to present were discharged.

G. W. M. Simms qualified as an attorney and coursellor at law to practice in this court by taking the several oaths prescribed by law. Com. vs. Frank Hyson; on an indictment for feloniously breaking and entering a dwelling house in the day time; prisoner arraigned; plead guilty of a misdemeanor, and sentenced by the court to two weeks in the county jail.

Com. vs. Cropley and McBair; on an indict

ment for wounding with intent to maim, dis able, disfigure and kill; continued. An account of John Donaldson against the Commonwealth of Virginia, amounting to \$3 60,

was allowed and ordered to be certified. Report and account of the Commiss Accounts of the settlement of the executorial and trustees account of Albert F. A. King, executor of Dr. Edward King, and trustee of Stella E. King, was confirmed by the court

and ordered to be recorded. Tucker et als. vs. Del'utron and Febrey; in chancery; order of reference.

Court adjourned till to-morrow morning at

DARING ROBBERY IN WEST VIRGINIA. - A dispatch from Grafton, West Virginia, to the Baltimore American, dated yesterday, says : "There occurred at Newburg, West Virginia,

on Friday morning, a most daring robbery and attempt at murder. The victim was Mr. Thos. Russeil. He has for many years been superintendent of the mines of the Newburg Orrel Coal Company, situated in the immediate vicinity of Newburg, a station on the line of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. On Thursday Mr. Russell proceeded to Fairmount and dre v from a bank there over \$3,000 in greenbacks and national bank notes. On the same day he paid a portion of the miners, of whom there is a large force employed, and returned to his residence in Newburg with a balance of \$1,600. The company's store is situated at Newburg, and Mr Russell having charge of it, sleeps in the s cond story of the same building. On Thursday night he closed the store as usual and retired. About 3 o'clock Friday morning he was awakened by a noise in his apartments. On opening his eyes he d scovered two men in the room, both of whom wore white masks, entirely concealing their features, their eyes alone being visible. He was about to raise himself up, when one of the robbers struck at him fiercely with a hickory club. Mr. Russell threw up his arm and warded off the mur derous blow from his head, at which the villain a med. He next felt the iron grasp of the other robber on his throat, and the cold muzzle of a pistol in his car. He cried out 'For God's sake, spare my life,' at the same time telling the robers that he was entirely at their mercy, and there was no necessity of murdering him. One seemed determined to kill him, and proposed that they should cut his throat. They finally concluded, however, not to shed any clood, but bound and gagged their v.ctim. In Mr. Russell's mouth they placed a towel, with a double knot in the centre, and tied his wrists together so tightly that the rope almost cut into the flesh In this condition they left him, taking with them the \$1,600 Singular to relate, they did not take his watch, saying they did not want it. Mr. Russell, bound and gagged as he was, was not rescued for several hours. Some one passing noticed a ladder up to the window, with the latter open, and thinking it looked suspicious, he entered and discovered Mr. Russell's condition. Mr. Russoll proceeded to Washington Friday morning, and secured the services of Detective McDevitt to work up the case. Mr. Russell went on to Baltimore, and is at present stopping at the house of a friend in that city. His arm was very much bruised, and his wrists were somewhat cut. His nervous system was greatly shocked by the affair, and he was forced to consult a physician. He thinks there were four men engaged in the robbery, as he sawone, besides the two in his bedroom, in an adjoining room, and he heard the voice of another on the outside, evidently on guard." SINGULAR CASE OF MISTAKEN IDEMTITY.-

The Philadelphia Bulletin of Saturday says: -The newspapers generally yesterday announced the death and burial of old Mr. Jacob Tripler, a life long member of the United States engine company under the volunteer system. Mr. l'ripler was well known not only in the fire department of Philadelphia, but by a large numper of other citizens. Some of the eulogies proponed were of a character that the old gentleman, who still lives, might readily recogniz: the fact that the good deeds a man does live after him. Mr. Tripler has attained the eighty-fifth year of his age, and is yet an active

A Baltimorean has sent to the conscience fund of the Treasury \$3,400 with a notification that it was due on account of internal revenue tax on manufactured goods.

(HOICE FAMILY FLOUR.

100 barrels J. T. JANNEY'S SUPERIOR FAMILY FLOUR, made by the new process, of lovely Christian character.

At Oakwood, May 6th, 1875, in the 72d year of her age, Mrs. SARAH C. BALL, reject of the late Alfred Ball.

Another case of to-day. Also AN favorite brands.

my 7-1m WASHINGTON & BRO.

Another case of to-day. Also AN favorite brands.

my 17

FARM AND GARDEN.

THE CROPS. - We are told that the growing wheat crop in this county will not average lour bushels to the acre, if something unforeseen does not improve it very short y. Some farmers are plowing up their wheat fields and planting them in corn. A warm protracted rain is very much needed, which would improve the growing whea very much. Corn planting is progressing, and our farmers propose plenting all the available land that can be obtained, which 18 very wise, considering the poor prospect for

wheat - Shepherdstown Register. The weather continues cool, the thermometer at night sinking to 50 degrees. The wheat improves steadily, and now looks promising. Oats and grass are backward. Farmers are straining every nerve to set in a large crop of corn. Rain

needed .- Warrenton Index. Our wheat crop has very much improved since the cold spell. The fiel's we have had an opportunity of noticing and which were quite yellow for a week or so after the freeze are now looking very flourishing. The late wheat has also considerably improved -Lexington Gazette

EARLY OR LATE PLANTING.-Is it best to plant as early as possible, or to defer this work as long as can be safely done? This is a question in which al. tarmers are interested, and to which each year they are practically obliged to While there are many advocates for each of these extremes, I think there is a "gold en mean" which will lead to much better results. Either of the extremes are open to grave objections, which do not lie against a time half way between. It is true, as the advocates of early planting claim, that if the seed is got into the ground very early, the work is do e and out of the way of other things which then need attention. But the objections to this course are that the ground and weather are so cold early in the season that the seed either rots in the ground or else is a long while coming u .; often falls a prey to wire worms; the plants, if any appear, are tender and grow very slowly, while

the weeds, which are more hardy, at once go in and possess the land Late llanting is not open to these objections but it is open to some which are quite serious. If the season is backward, and the planting is ut off as late as possible, the plants are not large enough to be hoed more than once before having time, and there is darger that the crop will no be fully manused before the autumn frosts. I think the best way is to begin the preparation of the land quite early; plow, and get it nearly fitted to receive the seed. Keep plowing and ilting, but do not put in the seed until b th ground and weather are warm. Then go over the land with a harrow, in order to destroy the weeds which have started up, and also to make a fine bed for the seed, and do he planting as soon as possible Then the cr p will get as good a start as the weeds, grow rapidly, be ready for the second or third hoeing before the time for getting hay, and have abunda at time in which to get perfectly ripe. - Country Gentleman.

VIOLETS .- Perhaps it may be of interest to some of our female friends to know how to raise in winter those sweet scented and beautiful little flowers-violets First take a few old boards and construct a bottomiess box, about three or four feet in length, and two feet square, sinking it in the earth nearly its full depth, on the sunny side of the garden. The top the box should be slant-ing, and covered with a glass door or lid on hinges. After having the box well fix d, plant tully great care is necessary. During the day, in warm and pleasant weather, the glass lid should be opened, but always closed at night When cold we ther sets in the glass should be well covered with dry leaves, and when wanted to bloom the covering removed. On very cold nights the box should be covered with three or four pieces of carpet, as also on very cold days The plan has be a known to work, and violets on Christmas and New Year made quite plen-

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Prices Current in Alexandria, May 17.

Fair to good 1 28 Prime to choice..... 9 90 (a) 0 00

HICKENS BACON, Hams, country

Western 0 15 (a) Sides 0 14 Shoulders..... | FLASTER, ground, per ton. 7 50 (6 0 0) | Ground, in bags or bid ... 9 50 (6 0 0) | Ground, in bags, ret'd ... 8 50 (6 0 0) | Lump ... 4 25 (6 4 75) | SALT, G. A. (Liverpool) ... 1 15 (6 1 30) | Fine ... 2 10 (6 2 30) | Turk's Island ... 0 00 (6 0 40) | REMALKS - The growth of the same statement of the sam

REMAUKS .- The receipts of Wheat show an improvement in quantity, but the market is less active, and prices are 2a3c off; sales of a strictly prime lot of white at 145, and red at 143, 145 and 147 for prime to choice; offerings of 2212 bu-hels. Corn is in larger receipt, and the market is quiet at a decline of 1c; offerings of 2245 bushels, with sales of white at 90, mixed at 85 and 90. and yellow at 89. Rye is active at 118 and 1:0; offerings of 70 bushels. Oats are in fair receipt, and the market is le off; sales at 76, with offer ings of 580 bushels.

ALEXANDRIA FISH MARKET, May 17, 1875 .-The receipts since Saturday have been 5,000 Shad, which sold at from 10:0 to \$13 00 per hundred, and 70,000 Herring, which sold at 11 50 to \$ 3 50 per thousand.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, MAY 17, '15. Sun sets 7 4 | High water 0 00

. ARRIVED Steamship Utility, Norwich, to American Steamship E C Knight, New York, to Hook & Johnston.
Steamship New York, Philadelphia, to F A

Steamer Pilot Boy, Currioman, to F A Reed. Schr G B Wood, for Georgetown. -AILED.

Steamer Jane Moseley, Norfolk, by F A Schr Ellie L Smith, East Cambridge, by Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Co. Schr J H Marvell, Richmond, by J P Agnew. Schr Eugene, Portsmouth, Va., by J P Agnew.

MEMORANDA. Schrs Wm Wiler ann Joseph H Huddell, jr., hence at Boston 14th. MARINE ACCIDENT

Schr Lizzie Young, Fownsend, which sailed fr. m here on the 13th instant for Boston with a cargo of coal, encountered a squall near the mouth of the Potom c, in which she lost her foremast and mainmast, and with maze must put into Norfolk or repairs.

CANAL COMMERCE. Arrived-Boats Wm Foley, Clara and Katie & Addie, via Rock creek, to J P Agnew; P L Lemen, Park Agnew and Capt John Weir, via Rock Creek, to Hampshire and Baltimore Coal

Company. FOURTH TRIP NORTH THIS SEASON. SPECIAL NOTICE TO COUNTRY MER-

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